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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applic. No. : 10/718,315 Confirmation No. 9755  
Applicant : Francesco Serino et al.  
Filed : November 20, 2003  
Title : Vascular Prosthesis for the Treatment of  
Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms, Using a Combined  
Laparoscopic/Open and Endovascular Technique,  
and Delivery System for Releasing a Prosthesis  
Fitted with Anchoring Stents

Group Art Unit: 3731  
Examiner : Amanda S. Adams

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AMENDMENT under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

Responsive to the final Office action dated August 28, 2006,  
kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 44 of this paper.